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Honorable Mayor Alison Silberberg and Members of City Council
City Hall
301 King Street
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May 20, 2016

Re: Transportation Commission's Endorsement of Recommended Project List for NVTa Transaction Plan Update with Qualification

Dear Mayor Silberberg and Members of City Council:

At its May 18, 2016 meeting, the Alexandria Transportation Commission reviewed a project submission list for TransAction, the region's Long Range Transportation Improvement Plan. The updated TransAction Plan will provide the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTa) a vision for regional transportation improvements. Per House Bill 2313, the NVTa will only be able to fund projects included in its final updated plan.

The Transportation Commission endorses the City's proposed project list with qualification (attachment 1). The Commission has directed staff to evaluate whether the Bradlee Transit Center should remain on its submission list. This direction is consistent with an ongoing evaluation that will determine whether or not this project should be maintained on the City's 2016 update to its own financially-unconstrained Transportation Long Range Plan (LRP). The Commission supports the inclusion of the seventeen other projects on the list.

The Commission appreciates your consideration of its input.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J.J. King III". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

J.J. King III
Chair, Alexandria Transportation Commission

Attachment 1: Recommended TransAction Project List

cc: Alexandria Transportation Commission
Mark Jinks, City Manager
Yon Lambert, Director, T&ES
Carrie Sanders, Acting Deputy Director, T&ES

Attachment 1 – Alexandria’s TransAction Proposed Project List

#	Project Name	Project Description	Project Facility	Start Point	End Point
1	South Van Dorn Street Improvements	South Van Dorn Street improvements to improve access between the Metrorail station and I-95	South Van Dorn Street	Van Dorn Metrorail station	I-95
2	Duke Street Transitway	Construct a four-mile segment of the high-capacity transitway on Duke Street within Alexandria, including widening Duke Street from Wheeler Ave. to Jordan St. with reversible center lane.	Duke Street	King St Metro	Fairfax County Line
3	DASH Transit Service Enhancements and Expansion	DASH Transit Service Enhancements, including new cross-town services and funding for additional buses to expand service on existing and new routes, circulators and trolleys within and between activity centers; expand bus storage facilities; transit stop improvements; upgrade to new and/or upgraded regional fare system including new fare collection technology; Provide transit service connection between Eisenhower Metrorail Station and King Street Metrorail Station; Provide transit service connection between Van Dorn Metrorail Station and the Landmark Mall vicinity; Provide east-west transit service between Braddock Rd Metrorail Station and Old Town / King St. Metrorail Station	Transit Service	Citywide	
4	West End Transitway	Construct a four-mile segment of the dedicated bus lanes between the Van Dorn Metro station and Arlington County. This project will also provide pedestrian and bike facilities in the corridor	I-95/I-395 HOT/HOV Lanes	Van Dorn Metrorail station	Pentagon
5	King Street Metro-Alexandria Union Station Improvements	Implement multimodal improvements at the King Street Metro station, including improved access to parking lot and bus facilities, construction of new shelters, and a planned transit store; construction of a new pedestrian tunnel between Alexandria Union Station and the King Street Metrorail station, platform and other improvements at Alexandria Union Station	King Street Metro & Alexandria Union (VRE & Amtrak) station		
7	Alexandria Bike and Ped Trails Construction and Reconstruction	Reconstruct Holmes Run Trail from North Ripley Street to I-395; Construct trails along local streets in the Alexandria portion of the corridor; Construct pedestrian and bicycle bridge over Holmes Run at Morgan St; Implement and construct projects in the City's Ped Bike Plan	Holmes Run Trail & Alexandria local streets		

Attachment 1 – Alexandria’s TransAction Proposed Project List (continued)

8	Alexandria ITS Projects	Funding for transportation technologies to improve system efficiencies in the City of Alexandria, Real-Time Adaptive Control and Data Management System - Build out and improve Traffic Signal System with fiber-optics; transit signal priority	Citywide	City of Alexandria	City of Alexandria
9	Alexandria Bus Network ITS	Install Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL) technology on DASH bus to provide real-time arrival info, computer-aided dispatch, automated passenger counters (APC) and automated garage mapping system.	Alexandria	Alexandria	
10	Landmark Transit Station Improvements	Construct a transit center on the Landmark Mall site, construct transit commuter hub or kiosk at the future West End Transit Center	Landmark Mall		
11	Potomac Yard Metrorail Station	Construct Potomac Yards Metrorail infill station	Potomac Yards Metrorail Station		
12	Bradlee Transit Center	Construct Bradlee Transit Center to provide bus facilities, including bus shelters, enhanced service information, transit amenities, and bicycle parking.	Bradlee Transit Center		
13	Arlandria/Del Ray/Lynhaven/Potomac Yard Roadway, Bike/Ped, Improvements	Traffic improvements for the intersection of Mt Vernon Ave and E/W Glebe Rd, including signalization, accomodation for pedestrians and turn lane channelization. Construct improvements at Mt Vernon/Four Mile Rd intersection, including ped/bike improvements; Construct bike/ped bridge over four mile run between Commonwealth Ave and Eads St; Mt Vernon Ave/Russell Rd intersection safety improvements to accommodate pedestrian and bicyclists, may entail intersection and parking confirguation redesign. Construct a pedestrian/bicycle link from the Potomac Yard Trail to connect to the Four Mile Run trail on the south side of Four Mile Run, and to the Mt. Vernon Trail; Oakville Triangle improvement projects	Mt Vernon Ave		
14	Royal St Bikeway	Construct bicycle improvements along Royal St between Jones Point and Bashford St, include signage, traffic calming	Royal St. Bikeway	Jones Point	Bashford St
15	Widen Sanger Ave Underpass	Widen the Sanger Ave underpass beneath I-395 to accommodate future transitway and non-motorized facilities	Sanger Ave	I-395	

Attachment 1 – Alexandria’s TransAction Proposed Project List (continued)

16	West End Alexandria Roadway Improvements	South Van Dorn Street improvements to improve access between the Metrorail station and I-95; Construct a multimodal bridge from Van Dorn Metro station to Pickett Street; Extend Library Ln North to Connect with Van Dorn St; ellipse at Beauregard and Seminary; Replace shared left/thru turn lanes along NB and SB Van Dorn St with separate left turn lanes. Add protected, permissive left turn lane along NB and SB Van Dorn; Widen Van Dorn St Bridge over Duke St to accommodate pedestrians; Replace shared left/thru turn lanes along NB and SB Van Dorn St with separate left turn lanes. Add protected, permissive left turn lane along NB and SB Van Dorn; Construct new roadway along Fairfax County Line to connect Edsall Rd, S Pickett St, Farrington Ave; Intersection improvements along Van Dorn Street at Eisenhower, Edsall, Pickett; Straightening Eisenhower; High Street Addition	West End of Alexandria		
17	Metro Station Improvements within the City of Alexandria	Redesign kiss-and-ride, reconfigure bus loading area to accommodate West End Transitway. Improvements to station to accommodate East Eisenhower development, including renovation of bus loop, new pedestrian plaza, bus shelter canopies, and real-time bus arrival info displays	Van Dorn Street Metro Station & Eisenhower Metro Station		
18	King/Quaker/Braddock Intersection Improvements	Construct intersection improvements at King St, Quaker Lane, and Braddock Road	King Street/ Quaker Ave/ Braddock Road		